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Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2008.

Applicant respectfully traverses the election of species requirement as being improper because it was issued after the first action on the merits (Applicant notes that 37 CFR 1.146 provides authority for the issuance of an election of species requirement only in the first action on an application). Nevertheless, in response to the election of species requirement, Applicant hereby elects Species 1 (Figures 12 and 13). Applicant submits that at least claims 1, 3, 11, 12, 14, 22, and 23 read on the elected species.

If any fees are due to effect consideration of this paper, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. MIPFP057).

Respectfully submitted,  
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